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In re application of: Kutka et al

Serial No.: 09/423,454

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Filed: November 8, 1999

EXAMINER: Allen C. Wong

For: "METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT FOR  
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TOTAL CLAIMS	*26	MINUS	**26	X	( ) X 9.00 ( ) X 18.00	
INDEP. CLAIMS	*4	MINUS	4	X	( ) X 42.00 ( ) X 84.00	
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				( ) YES ( ) NO	( ) \$140.00 ( ) \$280.00 ONE TIME	
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 19, 2003 ("OA"), please  
10 amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which  
begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.